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SUBJECT: NRW METAL WORKERS UNION DEMANDS 8 PERCENT PAY BOOST

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1. THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COMMITTEE OF THE METALWORKERS
UNION FOR THE NORTHRHINE WESTPHALIAN (NRW) METAL FABRICATING
INDUSTRY DEMANDED AN ACROSS THE BOARD WAGE AND SALARY BOOST OF
EIGHT PERCENT FOR THE ONE MILLION EMPLOYEES OF THAT INDUSTRY IN
NRW.

2. THE UNION ALSO DEMANDED AN INCREASE OF DM50. PER MONTH FOR
APPRENTICES IN THE FIRST AND SECOND YEAR AND OF DM40. FOR THE
THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR OF APPRENTICESHIP.

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3. THE NRW UNION DISTRICT STRESSED ITS SOLIDARITY IN COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING WITH THE OTHER DISTRICTS AND ASSERTED THAT IT WOULD
ALSO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE EFFECT WHICH A WAGE SETTLEMENT
FOR METAL FABRICATORS MIGHT HAVE ON THE LAGGING NEGOTIATIONS
OF A WAGE AGREEMENT FOR STEEL MILL WORKERS. (SEE REFTTEL)

4. THE EMPLOYERS CALLED THE UNION DEMAND DECIDELY TO HIGH;
THE PAY BOOSTS AIMED AT BY THE UNION WOULD HANDICAP ECONOMIC
RECOVERY, INCREASE THE INFLATION RATE AND PREVENT A REDUCTION
IN UNEMPLOYMENT; EXAGGERATED PAY BOOSTS WOULD NOT INCREASE MASS
PURCHASING POWER BUT WOULD INCREASE COSTS WITH DETRIMENTAL
EFFECTS ON ATTEMPTS TO REVERSE THE DOWNWARD TREND OF INDUSTRIAL
ACTIVITY. DUX

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